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March 6, 1981

Dr. H. G. Reichle  
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Re: Six Month Progress Report for NAG-1-85

Dear Hank:

Our research program in tropospheric photochemical modelling is continuing at a rapid pace (thanks in no small way to NASA financial support via the subject grant). As you know from the preprints, I have recently forwarded to you during the past six months the following papers were completed with support from NAG-1-85:

1. Potential Role of  $CS_2$  Photooxidation in Tropospheric Sulfur Chemistry, P. H. Wine, W. L. Chameides, and A. R. Ravishankara, Geophysical Research Letters, in press, 1981.
2. The Two-Dimensional Diagnostic Model for Tropospheric OH: An Uncertainty Analysis, W. L. Chameides, J. Geophys. Res., in press, 1981.
3. Hydroxyl Radical Measurements in the Marine Boundary Layer at Tropical and Sub-Tropical Latitudes: Comparison with Photochemical theory, D. D. Davis, W. L. Chameides, D. Philen, W. Heaps, A. Ravishankara, and M. Rodgers, J. Geophys. Res., submitted, 1981.
4. Rates of Fixation by Lightning of Carbon and Nitrogen in Possible Atmospheres, J. C. G. Walker and W. L. Chameides, Origins of Life, submitted, 1981.

In addition, I have presented five papers (three invited) at scientific meetings over the past six months. Funds from NAG-1-85 have also been used to support the work of Mr. S. McKeen, a Ph.D. candidate at Georgia Tech. Finally, my activities as an Associate Editor of JGR and GRL were indirectly supported by the subject grant.

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Dr. H. G. Reichle  
March 6, 1981

I am looking forward to continuing our research program through the coming years and will be planning on receiving \$65,700 on July 1, 1981 as budgeted for the second year of our three year grant. We are, of course, also anxiously awaiting the MAPS-shuttle flight, which will no doubt lead to some very exciting scientific investigations.

Sincerely yours,

William L. Chameides

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cc: R. J. McNeal

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September 25, 1981

Dr. H.G. Reichle  
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Re: Twelve Month Progress Report for NAG-1-85

Dear Hank:

I am writing this letter to bring you up to date on our progress over the past six months in tropospheric photochemical modelling as supported by NASA Grant NAG-1-85. Since our last progress report (March 6, 1981), two additional papers have been submitted for publication and two additional oral presentations at scientific meetings have been made.

A summary of our activities to date on NAG-1-85 is presented below:

I. Publications:

1. Potential Role of CS<sub>2</sub> Photooxidation in Tropospheric Sulfur Chemistry, P.H. Wine, W.L. Chameides, and A.V. Ravishankara, Geophysical Research Letters, 8, 543-546, 1981.
2. The Two-Dimensional Diagnostic Model for Tropospheric OH: An Uncertainty Analysis, W.L. Chameides, JGR, 86, 5209-5223, 1981.
3. Hydroxyl Radical Measurements in the Marine Boundary Layer at Tropical and Sub-Tropical Latitudes: Comparison with Photochemical Theory, D.D. Davis, W.L. Chameides, D. Philen, W. Heaps, A. Ravishankara, and M. Rodgers, JGR, Submitted, 1981.
4. Rates of Fixation by Lightning of Carbon and Nitrogen in Possible Atmospheres, J.C.G. Walker and W.L. Chameides, Origins of Life, ~~in press~~, 1981.  
11, 291-302,
5. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Levels in Rainwater: An Indication of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Generation by Aqueous-Phase Chemical Reactions, R. Zika, E. Saltzman, W.L. Chameides, and D.D. Davis, Geo. Res. Letters, submitted, 1981.
5. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Levels in Rainwater Collected in South Florida and the Bahama Islands, R. Zika, E. Saltzman, W.L. Chameides, and D.D. Davis, J. Geophys. Res., in press, 1982.

6. The Chemistry of the Troposphere, W.L. Chameides and D.D. Davis, Special Report in Chemical and Engineering News, submitted, 1981.
- II. Seven oral papers (three invited) have been presented at scientific meetings.
- III. My activities as an Associate Editor of JGR and GRL are partially supported by the NASA grant.
- IV. Graduate students Mr. S. McKeen and Mr. S. Fischer are being supported by the grant.

Sincerely yours,

W.L. Chameides

cc: R.J. McNeal

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February 26, 1982

Dr. H. G. Reichle  
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Re: Eighteen Month Progress Report for NAG-1-85

Dear Hank:-

I am writing this letter to update you on our progress in tropospheric-photochemical modelling research supported by NASA Grant NAG-1-85. We have recently completed a major effort in the area of gas-phase and aqueous-phase cloud chemistry; this research has resulted in the completion of a paper entitled "The Free Radical Chemistry of Cloud Droplets and Its Impact Upon the Composition of Rain" (JGR, in press, 1982). The paper presents the first quantitative study of free radicals in clouds and demonstrates that these species may play a major role in the chemistry of precipitation, in general, and acid rain, in particular.

A summary of our activities to date on NAG-1-85 is presented below:

1. Publications:

1. Potential Role of  $\text{CS}_2$  Photooxidation in Tropospheric Sulfur Chemistry, P.H. Wine, W.L. Chameides, and A.V. Ravishankara, Geophysical Research Letters, 8, 543-546, 1981.
2. The Two-Dimensional Diagnostic Model for Tropospheric OH: An Uncertainty Analysis, W.L. Chameides and A. Tan, JGR, 86 5209-5223, 1981.
3. Hydroxyl Radical Measurements in the Marine Boundary Layer at Tropical and Sub-Tropical Latitudes: Comparison with Photochemical Theory, D. D. Davis, W. L. Chameides, D. Philen, W. Heaps, A. Ravishankara, and M. Rodgers, JGR, Submitted, 1981.
4. Rates of Fixation by Lightning of Carbon and Nitrogen in Possible Atmospheres, W. L. Chameides, J.C.G. Walker, Origin of Life, 11, 291-302, 1981.

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5.  $H_2O_2$  Levels in Rainwater collected in South Florida and the Bahama Islands, R. Zika, E. Saltzman, W. L. Chameides, and D. D. Davis, J. Geophys. Res., in Press, 1982.
  6. The Chemistry of the Troposphere, W. L. Chameides and D. D. Davis, Special Report in Chemical and Engineering News, submitted, 1981.
  7. Thunderstorms in Agriculture and in Forest Management, D. G. Decoursey, W. L. Chameides, J. McQuigg, M.H. Frere, and A. D. Nicks, in Thunderstorms: A Social, Scientific, and Technological Documentary, Ed. by E. Kessler, Vol. I, 85-112, Sept., 1981.
  8. The Free Radical Chemistry of Cloud Droplets and Its Impact Upon the Composition of Rain, W.L. Chameides and D. D. Davis J. Geophys. Res., in press, 1982.
- I. Nine oral papers (four invited) have been presented at Scientific meetings.
- II. My activities as an Associate Editor of JGR and GRL are partially supported by the NASA grant.
- IV. Graduate students Mr. S. McKeen and Mr. S. Fischer are being supported by the grant.

We will, of course, maintain our intensive research activities in this field in the coming years and thereby hope to continue to contribute to NASA's efforts in the area of Atmospheric Chemistry. I am currently planning on receiving \$72,270 on July 1, 1982 as budgeted for the third year of our three year grant.

Sincerely yours,

W. L. Chameides

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cc: R. J. McNeal



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July 8, 1983

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Re: NAG-1-85  
Final Report

Dear Hank,

Please accept this letter as our Final Report on NASA Grant NAG-1-85 to Georgia Tech for the period of 7/1/80 - 6/30/83.

Before beginning a discussion of our specific accomplishments over the granting period, I would like to note that on June 1, 1983 I had the honor of receiving the James B. MacElwane Award from the American Geophysical Union. I believe that one very critical factor in making it possible for me to have received this award was the continuing support I have received for my research from NASA over the past seven years. I would therefore like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to you and your colleagues at NASA Langley and in the Environmental Observations Division at NASA Headquarters for your interest in and support of my work in atmospheric chemistry.

As noted in NASA Conference Publication 2235 on Applying Modeling Results in Designing a Global Tropospheric Experiment, "...a more quantitative understanding is required of the ...chemical processes which influence the rate of removal of soluble trace gases throughout the troposphere." As a result the "development of models of combined homogeneous and heterogeneous processes" was proposed in this document as one important research activity to be pursued. In fact, one of the most significant advances we made during the granting period was probably in this area: the development of a model to simulate the gas-and aqueous-phase chemistry of a cloud. The strong coupling between gaseous and aqueous free radicals that we have found to exist in a cloud gives rise to a variety of effects including the production of  $H_2O_2$  and  $HCOOH$ . Not only can these processes have significant effects upon the chemistry of precipitation and the removal of trace gases from the troposphere, but through "gas-to-particle-to-gas conversion" processes they can also represent a significant source of gaseous species to the background atmosphere.

In addition to the above development we have completed the following investigations:

1. An in-depth study of the chemistry of tropospheric iodine
2. The development of a two-dimensional diagnostic model for tropospheric OH.
3. A proposal for a photodissociative sink for  $CS_2$
4. A collaborative study with R. Zika of the University of Miami on  $[H_2O_2]$  levels in rainwater.
5. An investigation of C and N fixation rates in a variety of possible primitive atmospheres.
6. A preliminary study of the possible sources of atmospheric formic acid.

During the granting period the following publications have been completed:

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1. Potential Role of  $CS_2$  Photooxidation in Tropospheric Sulfur Chemistry, P.H. Wine, W.L. Chameides, and A.V. Ravishankara, Geophysical Research Letters, 8, 543-546, 1981.
2. The Two-Dimensional Diagnostic Model for Tropospheric OH: An Uncertainty Analysis, W.L. Chameides and A. Tan, J. Geophys. Res., 86, 5209-5223, 1981.
3. Rates of Fixation by Lightning of Carbon and Nitrogen in Possible Atmospheres, W.L. Chameides, J.C.G. Walker, Origin of Life, 11, 291-302, 1981.
4.  $H_2O_2$  Levels in Rainwater collected in South Florida and the Bahama Islands, R. Zika, E. Saltsman, W.L. Chameides, and D.D. Davis, J. Geophys. Res., 87, 5015-5017, 1982.
5. The Chemistry of the Troposphere, W.L. Chameides and D.D. Davis, Special Report in Chemical and Engineering News, 60, 39-52, 1982.
6. Thunderstorms in Agriculture and in Forest Management, D.G. Decoursey, W.L. Chameides, J. McQuigg, M.H. Frere, and A.D. Nicks, in Thunderstorms: A Social, Scientific, and Technological Documentary, Ed. by E. Kessler, Vol. I, 85-112, Sept., 1981.
7. The Free Radical Chemistry of Cloud Droplets and Its Impact Upon the Composition of Rain, W.L. Chameides and D.D. Davis, J. Geophys. Res., 87, 5015-5017, 1982.
8. Increasing Atmospheric Methane: News and Views Article, Nature, 301, 568, 1983
9. The coupled gas-phase/aqueous-phase free-radical chemistry of a cloud, (with D.D. Davis) Proceedings of the 4th International Conference on Precipitation Scavenging, Dry Deposition and Resuspension (SCADER), edited by G. Slinn, in press, 1982.
10. Aqueous-Phase Source of Formic Acid in Clouds, W.L. Chameides, D.D. Davis, Nature, in press, 1983.

thirteen oral papers (five invited) have been presented at Scientific meetings.

My activities as an Associate Editor of JGR and GRL are partially supported by the ASA grant.

Graduate students supported by the grant include: D. Bai and K. Levitan. S. McKeen is supported in part by NAG-1-85 and will be completing his thesis by September, 1983.

Thank you again for your continued interest in my research activities.

Sincerely,

William L. Chameides

cc: C.L. Crowder  
R.J. McNeal  
LC/abg